

ICHIKA,
WHAT DO
YOU THINK
ABOUT
FUUTAROU?

THE FUZZY FEELING OF "AFFECTION" SPROUTING WITHIN MIKU
IS CAUSING HER TO WAVER BETWEEN "EQUALITY"
AND "MONOPOLY."

ごとうぶんはなよめ
五等分の花嫁

I'D SAY
IT'S A PART
OF GOING
THROUGH
PUBERTY,

I
GUESS.

はるば
春場ねぎ

EH.

HMM...

MIKU...

ICHIKA,
AREN'T
YOU
ACTUALLY
...

THAT'S
NOT
WHAT I'M
ASKING.

I MEAN
HE'S QUITE
WARPED,
ISN'T HE?

BIG SIS HERE
IS WORRIED
HE'LL STAY
LIKE THAT
EVEN WHEN HE
GROWS UP.

PREVIOUSLY... IT IS DAY TWO OF THE FIELD TRIP. IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TEST OF COURAGE, FUUTAROU CAME TO THE RESCUE OF NINO, WHO WAS SEPARATED FROM ITSUKI AND HAD LOST HER WAY... HOWEVER, NINO SEEMS TO HAVE MISTAKEN FUUTAROU, WHO WAS SIMPLY WEARING A BLOND WIG FOR HIS MONSTER DISGUISE, AS "THE BOY FROM THE PHOTO" AND SHE INVITED HIM TO DANCE TOGETHER FOR THE BONFIRE. BETWEEN THE PROMISE WITH ICHIKA AND THE INVITATION FROM NINO... THERE IS ONLY ONE DAY UNTIL THE BONFIRE.



SHOULD WE
SWITCH PLACES
FOR THE DANCE
TOMORROW
AFTER ALL?



YOU
SHOULDN'T
MAKE
CHOICES
YOU MIGHT
REGRET...



YOU'RE
WORRIED,
RIGHT?



YOU
SHOULD BE
HIS PARTNER
...

EQUAL...





I CAN'T DO BOTH.

BUT I ALREADY HAVE PLANS WITH ICHIKA.



IT'D BE FINE IF IT WAS JUST MY DISGUISED SELF GETTING ROPED INTO DANCING WITH NINO...

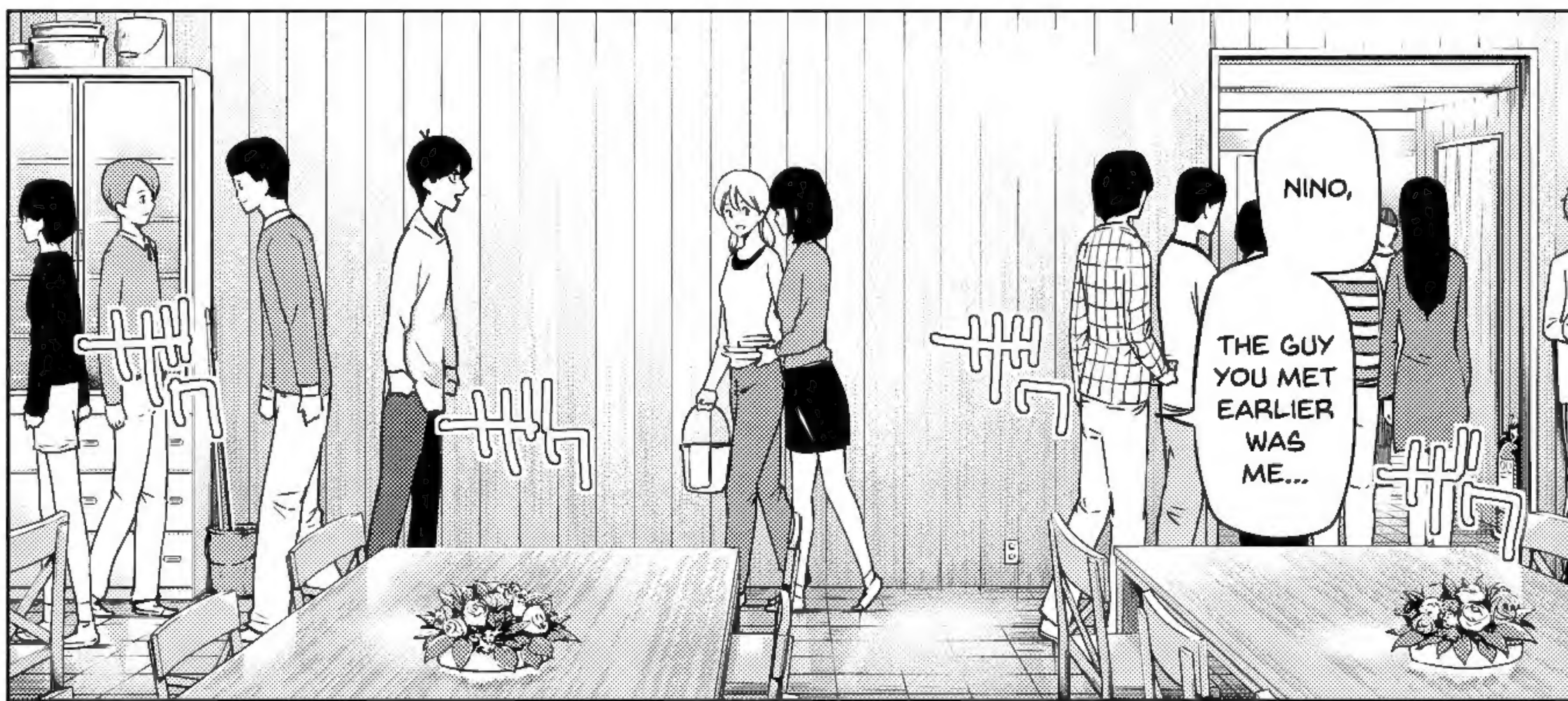


NOW I'M CURIOUS. COME ON, TELL ME.

Sfx: ignore



THIS IS BECOMING TROUBLE-SOME.



NINO, THE GUY YOU MET EARLIER WAS ME...

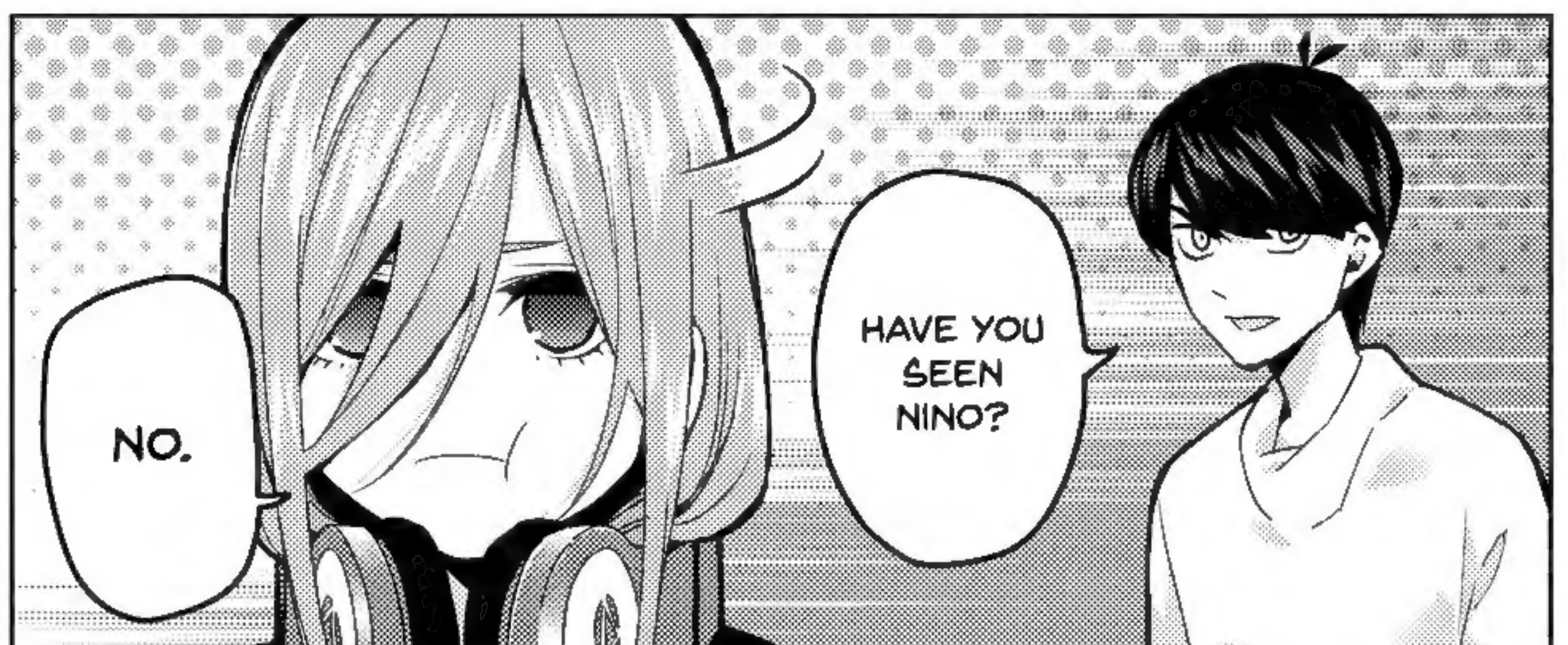


HUH...? NINO?





sfx: dumbfounded





Sfx: staaare





Yep. Looks like these were put away temporarily to protect them from yesterday's snow.

ALL I HAVE TO DO IS MOVE THESE?



Everyone in the group in charge of the campfire is doing their best for tomorrow!



ALRIGHT!

I'M SO GLAD THAT YOU'RE HELPING OUT!



Hoo...



LEAVE IT TO ME!

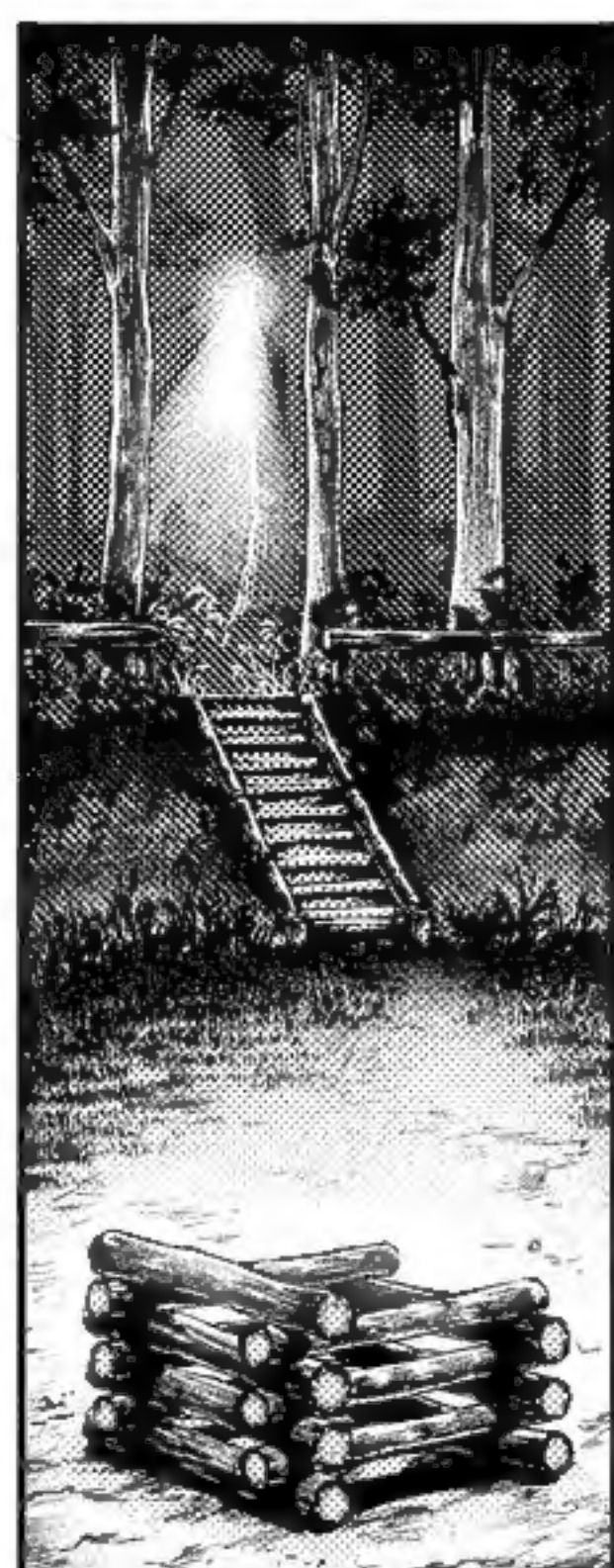


B-BUT IT'S
ALWAYS GOOD
TO HAVE AN
EXTRA PAIR
OF HANDS!

Uesugi-san,
are you
really a
boy?

O-OH REALLY.
I THOUGHT
I'D PAY YOU
BACK FOR
HELPING OUT
WITH THE
TEST OF
COURAGE.

.....



IF I DON'T
HURRY AND
EARN BACK
HER TRUST,
IT MIGHT
EVEN AFFECT
MY JOB AS
A TUTOR.

IT LOOKS LIKE
I GOT ON HER
BAD SIDE
UNKNOWNLY.



That's right!
Because you never
came back, I had
to scare people
all by myself!



Have I always
been this out
of shape...?

I... I'm
beat...

ONE
SECOND,
NAKANO-
SAN.

THE KEY
TO THE
STORE-
HOUSE
HAS BEEN
STUCK
THERE,
AND...



LET'S
GO
GRAB
THE
NEXT
ONE!

THIS
DOUBLES
AS A
WORKOUT
SO IT'S LIKE
KILLING
TWO BIRDS
WITH ONE
STONE!

Yeah...
I-I'm
working
up...
a good...
sweat...



One,
two-

Haa...



WAIT A
MINUTE
...



NOW EVEN ICHIKA
IS HERE ALONG
WITH YOTSUBAI
THIS IS THE
PERFECT CHANCE
TO RAISE MY
AFFECTION
POINTS!

GOOD THING
I WORE A
SWEATER.



OH,
IF IT ISN'T
FUUTAROU-
KUN.

YOU'RE
NOT IN THE
GROUP IN
CHARGE
OF THIS,
NO?



YOTSU-
BA'S...



WHOA.

HEAVY.



Communica-
tion power,
MAX!!

Don't fail
me now,
body!



NOW
LET'S GET
THESE
LOGS
MOVED!

I'M JUST
GIVING
YOTSUBA
A HAND.



THAT'S
THE BEST
FEEDBACK
AN EXECUTIVE
MEMBER
COULD
ASK FOR!

THAT'S
EXCELLENT!

UM... YEAH,
MY HEART
WAS
RACING.



HA HA HA!
YOU'VE
GOT ME
THERE!

ALTHOUGH
WHETHER OR
NOT YOU'D BE
ABLE TO DO
YOUR JOB
PROPERLY AS
AN EXECUTIVE
MEMBER WAS
WHAT ACTUALLY
GOT MY HEART
RACING.



UMM...

DID YOU
HAVE FUN
DURING
THE TEST OF
COURAGE?

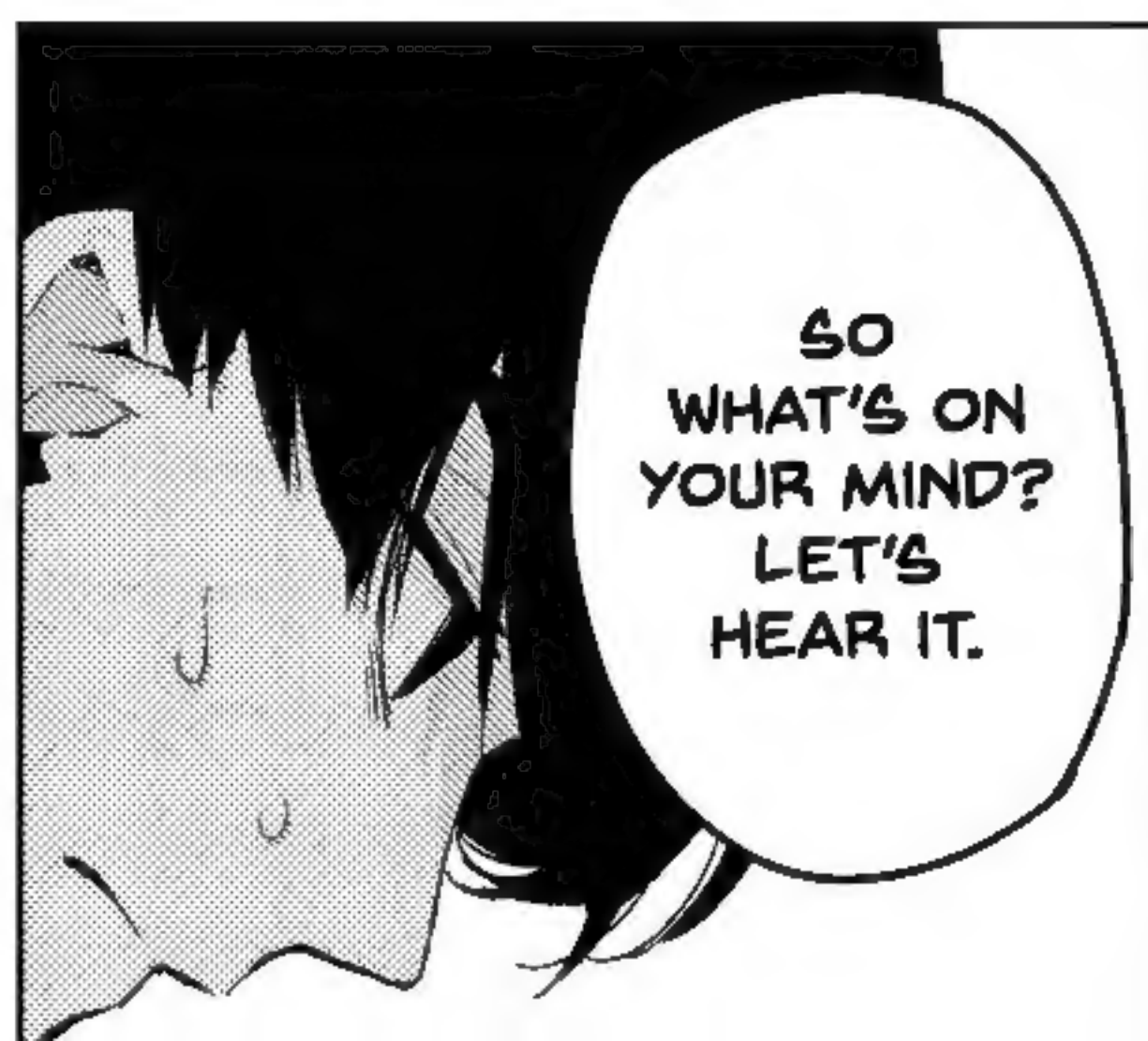


EHH?!

IT'S
WEIRD.

OK, STOP
RIGHT
THERE.

WHY'RE
YOU
TALKING
LIKE
THAT?



SO
WHAT'S ON
YOUR MIND?
LET'S
HEAR IT.



YOU'RE
NEVER
ENTHUSIASTIC
ABOUT
ANYTHING
EXCEPT
WHEN YOU
TALK ABOUT
STUDYING.

HOW DO I
USUALLY
SPEAK...?



MUFUFU...
SO EVEN
FUUTAROU-
KUN
WORRIES
ABOUT...

THAT'S
NOT IT,
DAMMIT!



SO IN
OTHER
WORDS,
YOU DON'T
WANT THE
OTHERS
TO DISLIKE
YOU.

I SEE.

W-WELL
THAT'S
NOT...



I'M NOT
AS GOOD
AS MIKU
BUT...

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN BY
PRACTIC-



THEN
BIG SIS
HERE
WILL BE
YOUR
PRACTICE
PARTNER.

HUH?

Sfx Ahem.



JUST WHAT
ARE YOU
SPACING
OUT FOR?

PLEASE
CARRY OUT
YOUR
RESPONSI-
BILITIES IN
A PROPER
MANNER.

ITSUKI!



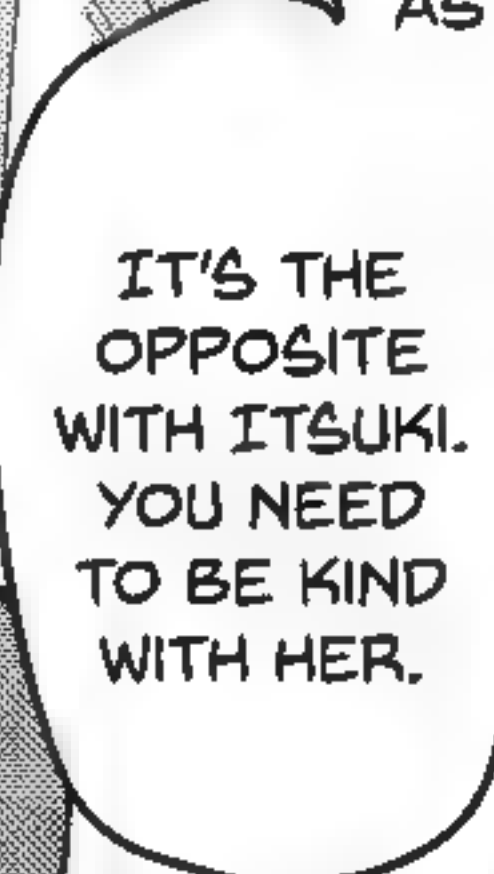
ARE YOU
EVEN
TRYING?

IT'S
PRETTY
HEAVY
OVER
HERE!

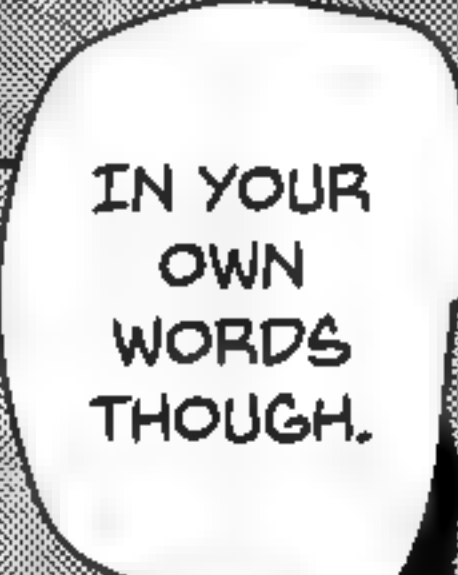
NINO!



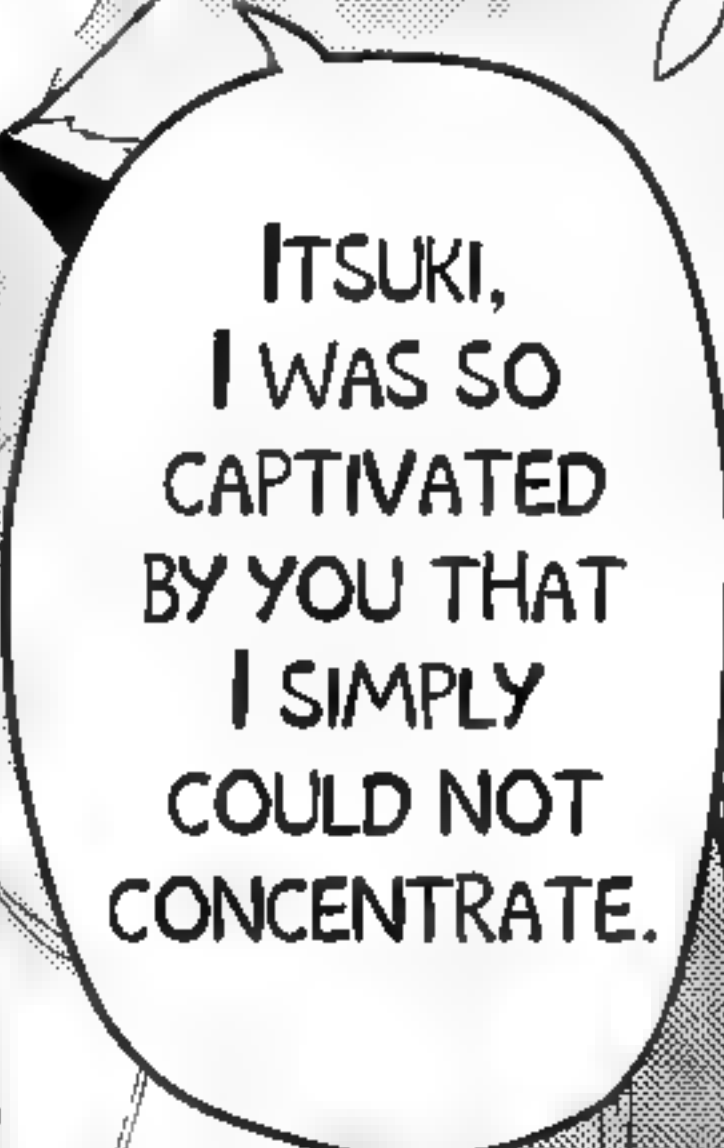
TRY BEING MORE NATURAL.



IT'S THE OPPOSITE WITH ITSUKI. YOU NEED TO BE KIND WITH HER.



IN YOUR OWN WORDS THOUGH.



ERR... THAT'S KINDA OFF-PUTTING...



I'LL KEEP THAT IN MIND.



K... KIND... HUH.



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OK,
NEXT UP
IS MI...



NEVER
MIND.

ANYWAY,
LOOK.
WE'RE
ALMOST
DONE.



SHE'S WHAT ONE
WOULD EXPECT
OF THE ELDEST
DAUGHTER,
ALWAYS CALM
AND COMPOSED,
AND SHE DEALS
WITH ME AND THE
QUINTUPLETS
WITHOUT BIAS.



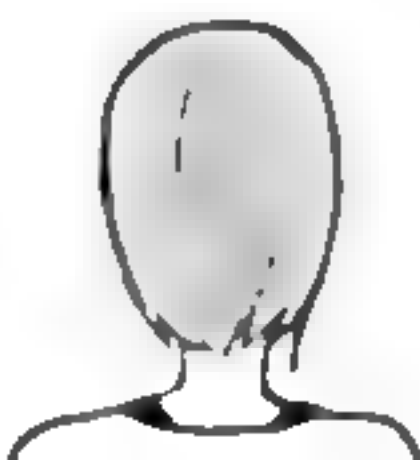
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TOMOR-
ROW,
HUH...



NOW WE'LL
BE ABLE
TO HAVE
A BONFIRE
TOMORROW.

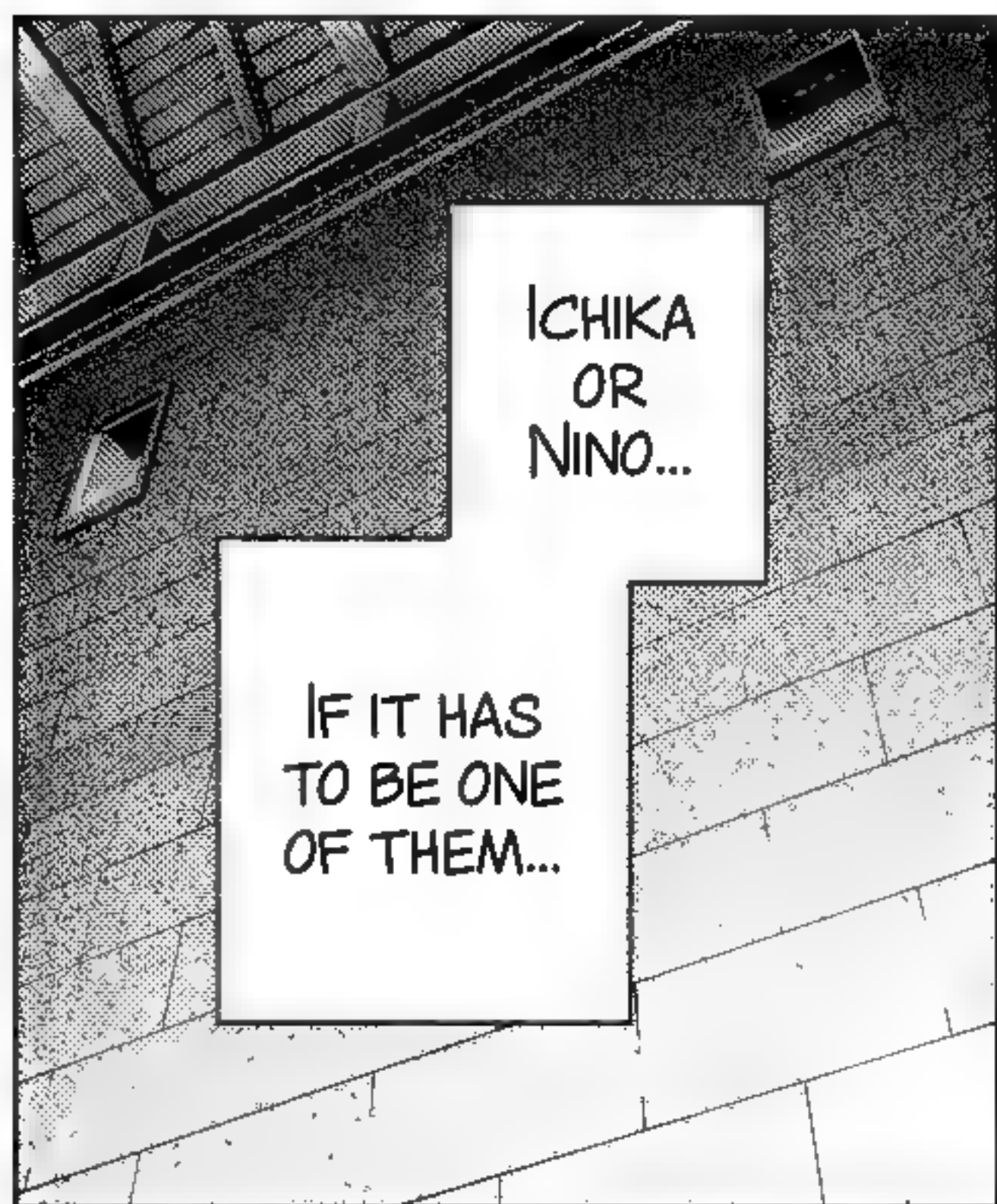
LOOKS
LIKE THIS
IS THE
LAST ONE.

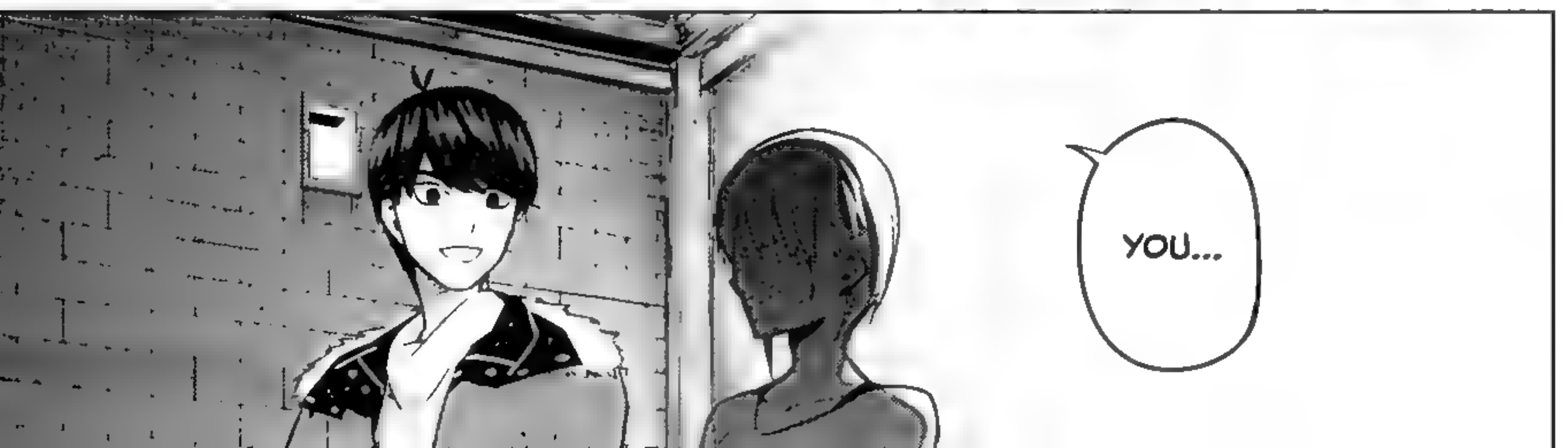
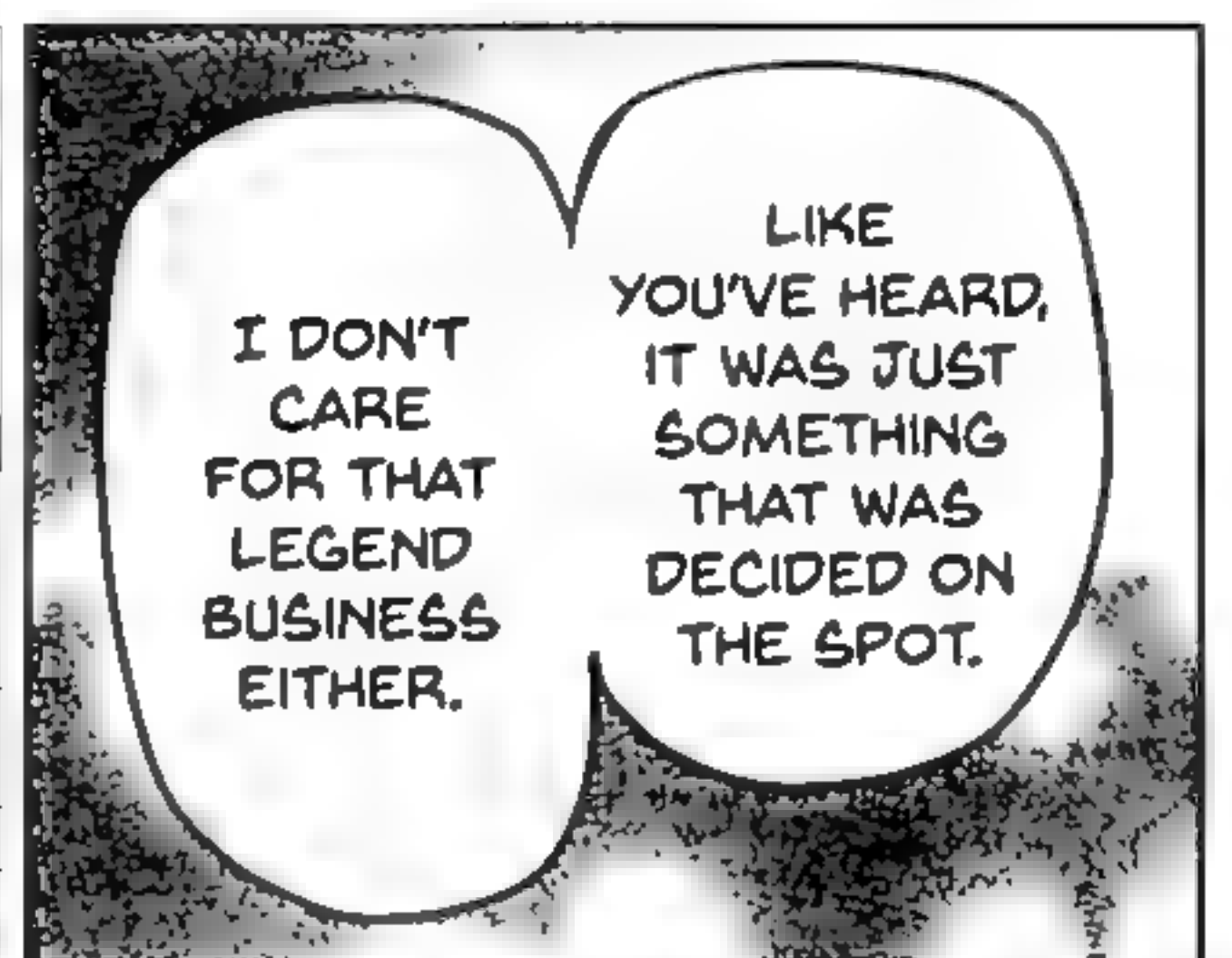
...YEAH.



YOU'VE
HEARD
FROM
MIKU,
RIGHT?







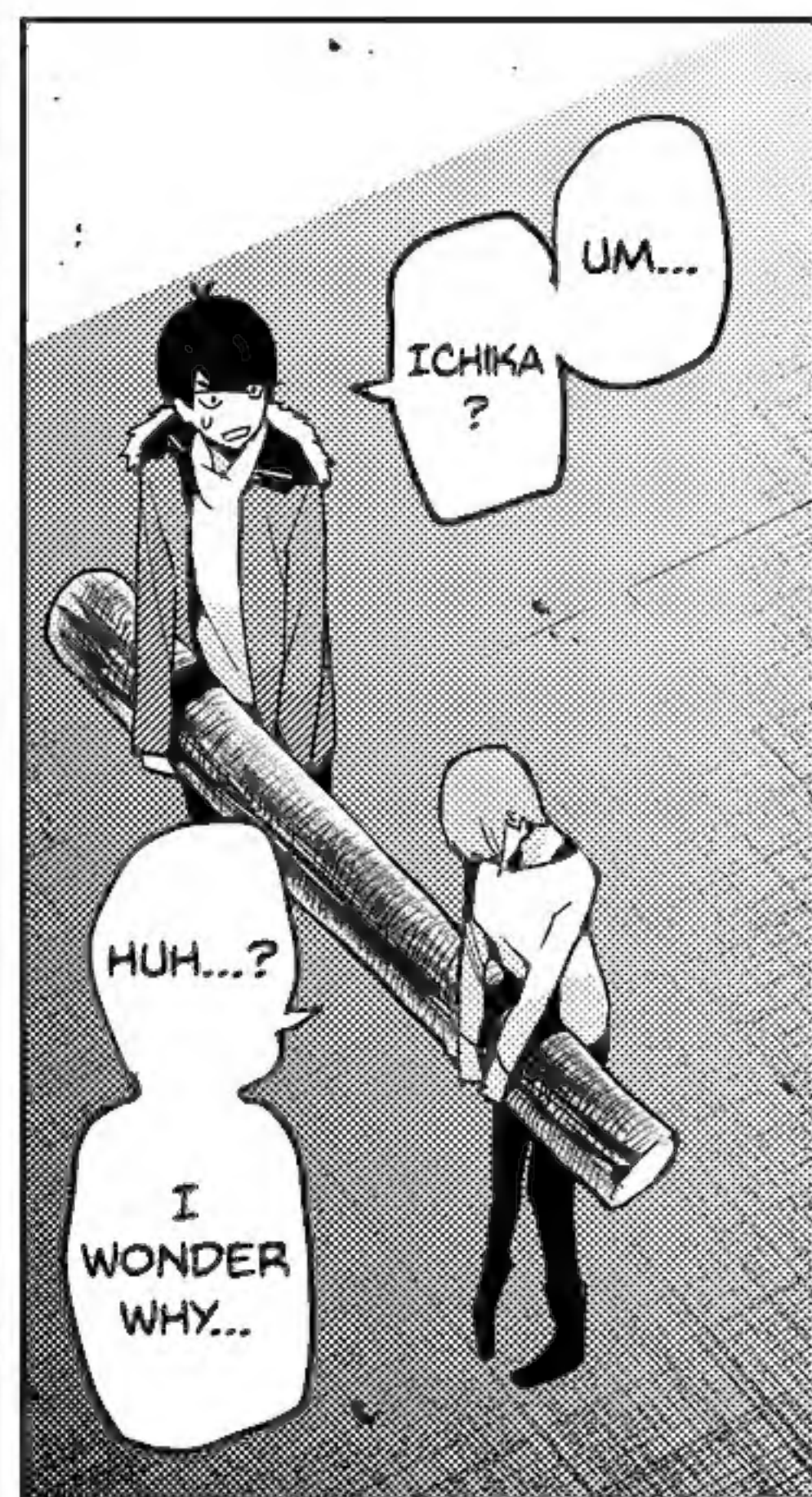




SORRY...

CAN WE
PUT THIS
ASIDE
FOR NOW?

IT'S
NOT
WHAT
YOU
THINK.



ICHIKA
?

UM...

HUH...?

I
WONDER
WHY...



What's
wrong
all of a
sudden?

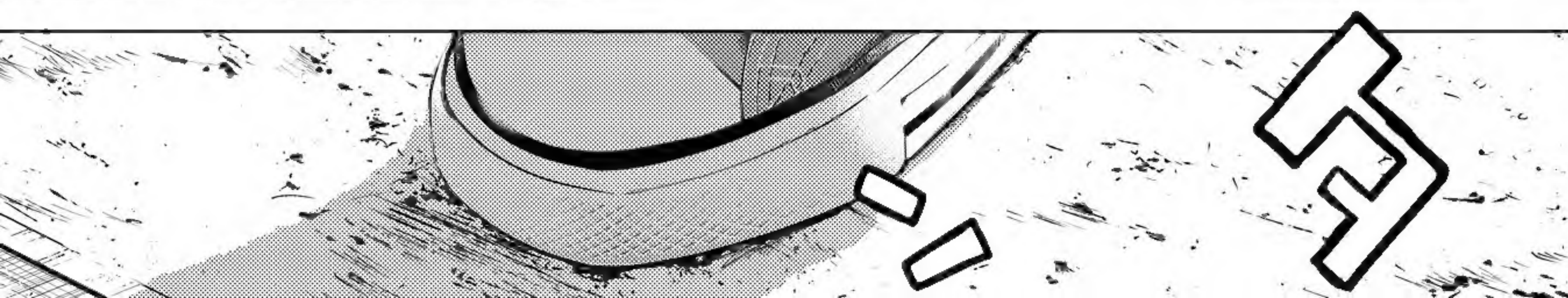
W-w-
w-w-

sfx: tremble



ALRIGHT,

LOOKS
LIKE
IT'S ALL
DONE.





NOPE...

UESUGI...
YOU MEAN
THAT
GUY...?

Um...
Has anyone
seen Uesugi-
san?



I'M
BEAT!

WE
FINISHED
FASTER
THAN I
THOUGHT
WE
WOULD.



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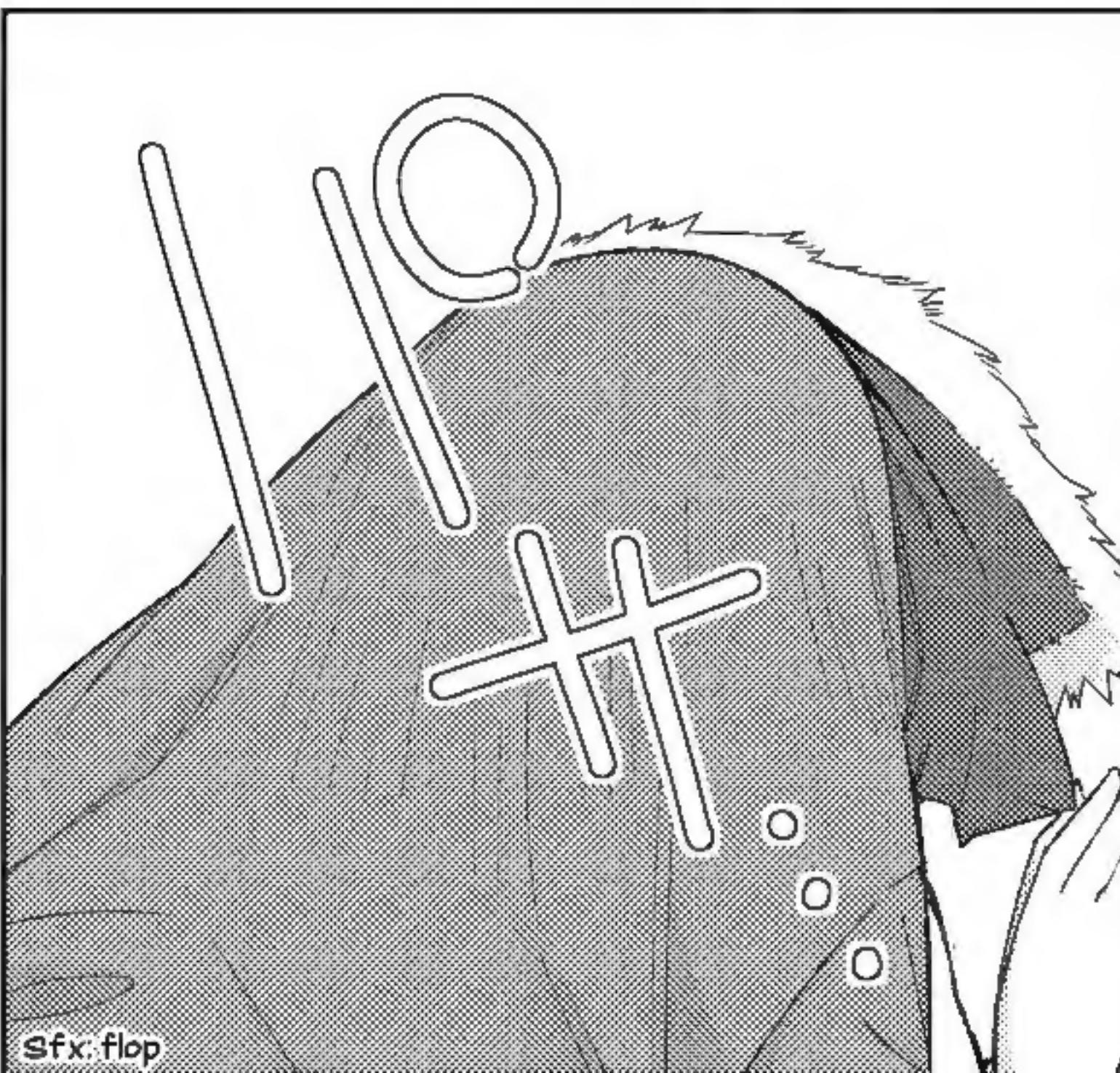


HAHA...

THIS HAS
HAPPENED
BEFORE
TOO,
HASN'T IT.



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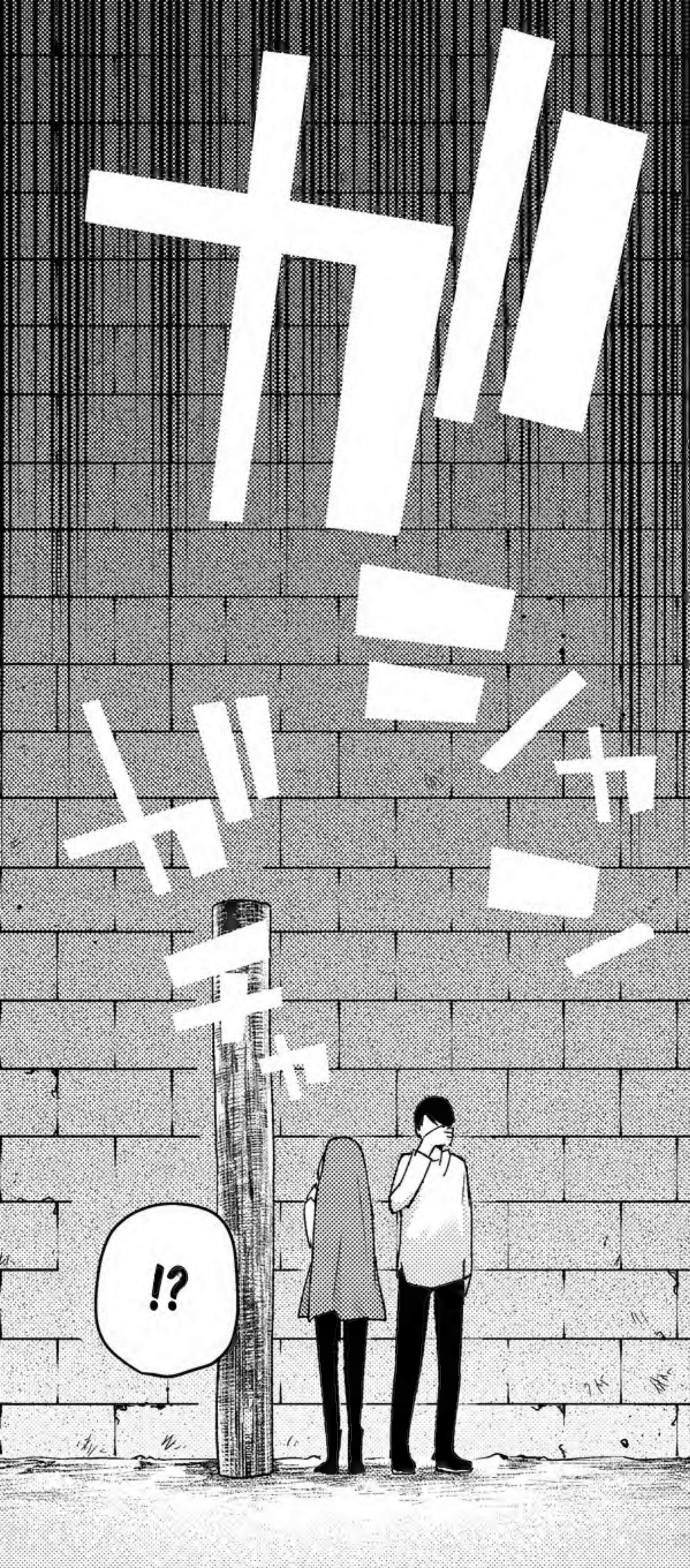
Sfx: flop



I'M NOT
SURE
WHAT'S
GOING ON,
BUT...

BE KIND...
BE KIND...

RATHER,
WAS THERE
ANY NEED
TO HIDE?



Sfx: click

Sfx: Klunk

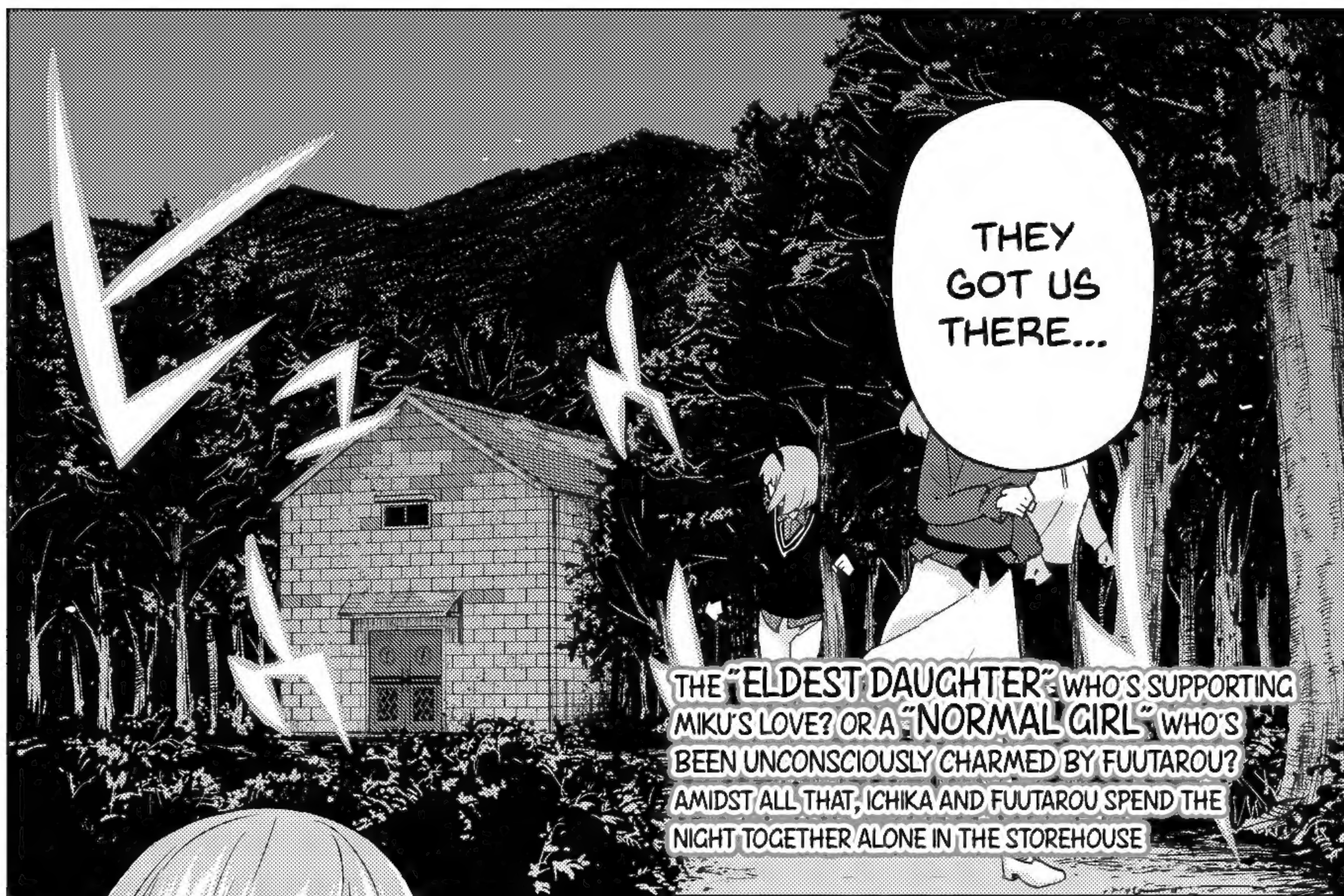
Sfx: creak



Sfx: klunk klunk
Sfx: bang bang



AH HA
HA HA
HA

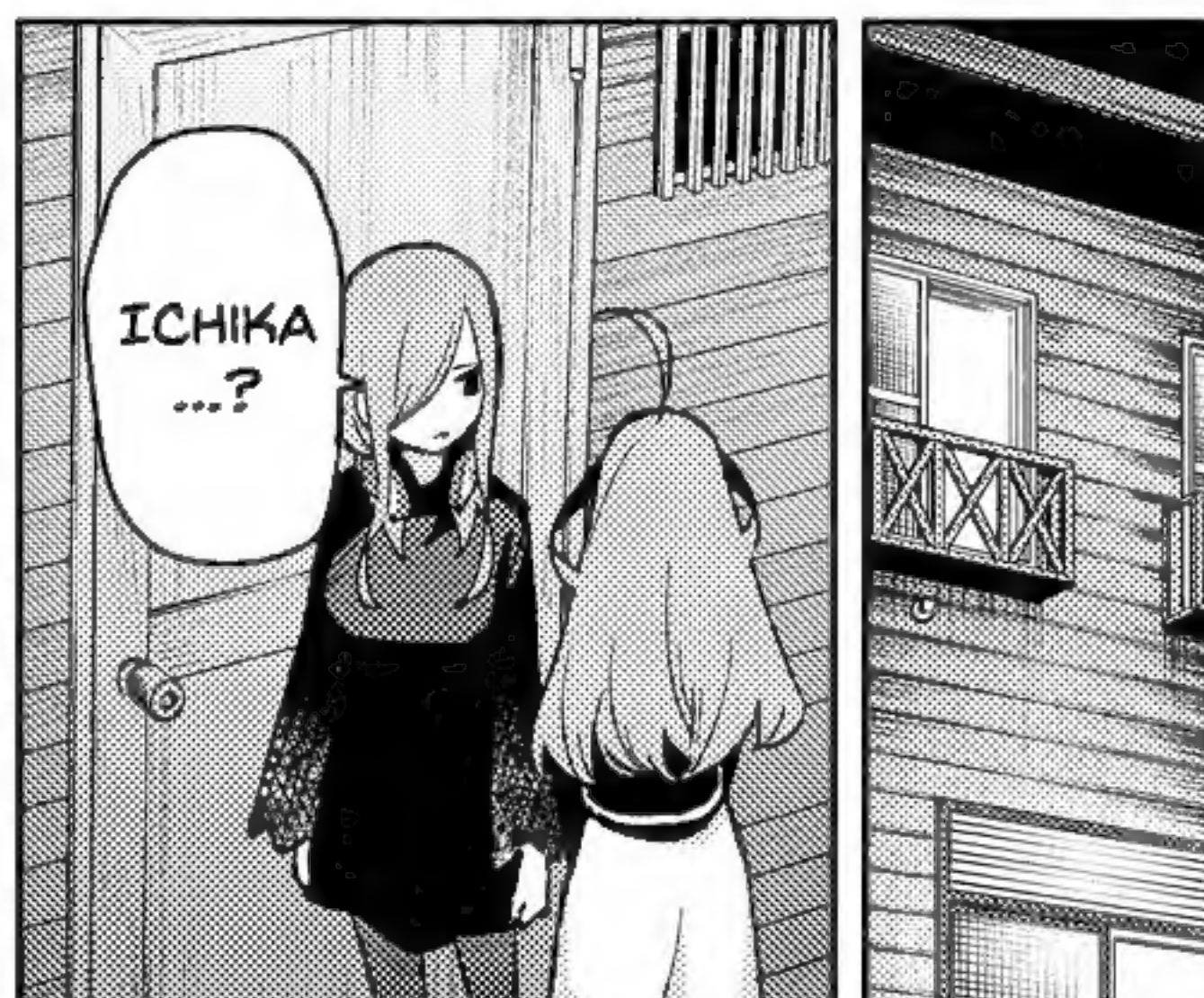


THEY
GOT US
THERE...

THE "ELDEST DAUGHTER" WHO'S SUPPORTING MIKU'S LOVE? OR A "NORMAL GIRL" WHO'S BEEN UNCONSCIOUSLY CHARMED BY FUUTAROU? AMIDST ALL THAT, ICHIKA AND FUUTAROU SPEND THE NIGHT TOGETHER ALONE IN THE STOREHOUSE



I WONDER
WHERE
SHE WENT.



ICHIKA
...?

To be continued!